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Post-Mortem on NIE 65-57:

The Outlook for Indonesia,

dated 27 August 1957

I. Findings

1. The post-mortem on last year's Indonesian estimate (NIE 65-56, 7 August 1956) noted that we lacked information in depth concerning the following:

- a. Political development in the rural areas
- b. Political trends within the major political parties
- c. The extent and nature of the relationship between Sukarno and the Communists
- d. The background, orientation, beliefs, and motivations of the principal political and military leaders
- e. The composition and strength of the principal factions within the military forces and the policies and courses of action which these factions support.

2. Considerable information in these categories has been acquired in the last 12 months, but a continuing flow is desirable, especially with respect to c, d, and e.

II. Action

The IAC agencies are requested to take appropriate action to meet the above needs.

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